

**ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND  
OFFICE OF THE BUDGET**

**BILL NUMBER: 81-25**

**INTRO. DATE: Sept. 15, 2025**

**FISCAL NOTE**

**BILL: SUBDIVISION AND DEVELOPMENT – ADEQUATE PUBLIC FACILITIES – ADEQUATE TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES – MITIGATION – FEES AND SECURITIES – DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEE CREDITS**

**SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION**

This bill modernizes Anne Arundel County’s development policies by replacing current-law Adequate Public Facilities (APF) requirements with a framework that incorporates community-centered transportation goals. The bill changes the existing APF category for “Roads” to be “Transportation.” The bill adds adequacy tests for bicycle, pedestrian, and transit facilities. The bill makes the Transportation APF requirements more consistent with the county's long-range plans and policies, including Plan2040, Move Anne Arundel!, Complete Streets, and Vision Zero.

Key provisions include:

- Expands APF transportation standards beyond roads, requiring separate adequacy tests for sidewalks, pedestrian crossings, bicycle facilities, and transit access, in addition to road capacity.
- Provides specific traffic study and traffic metrics, and new standards for bicycle, pedestrian, and transit facilities.
- Developments in the Odenton Town Center, the Glen Burnie Sustainably Community Overlay that are currently exempt from the Roads APF requirements will be subject to the Transportation requirements.
- Modernizes and clarifies mitigation requirements. Establishes a mitigation hierarchy, allowing developers to: build infrastructure improvements, contribute to planned capital projects, or pay a fee-in-lieu to fund broader regional infrastructure upgrades.
- Maintains impact fee credits. Developers who exceed baseline mitigation requirements will be eligible for transportation impact fee credits, ensuring they are not double-charged.
- Updates the County Code: Amends Sections 17-5-401 (Adequate Road Facilities), 17-5-901 (Mitigation), and 17-11-207 (Credits) to reflect multimodal transportation requirements.
- Aligns with Adopted Plans: Codifies and operationalizes goals from Plan2040, Move Anne Arundel!, Complete Streets, and Vision Zero, making them enforceable standards.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

Revenues: The bill will affect mitigation fee revenue, dependent on specific development applications and the mitigation options selected by applicants and approved by the Office of Planning and Zoning (OPZ). These actions could increase or decrease revenue, depending on the activity level and mitigation options.

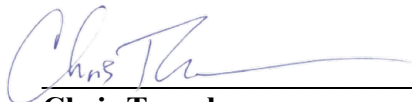
Capital Budget: The bill may reduce future need for county bonds or general fund pay-as-you-go (PayGo) for multimodal transportation improvements if there is an increase of mitigation fee funding, or because multimodal improvements are made by developers instead of by the County. The amounts cannot be reliably determined, and will depend on specific development applications and the mitigation options selected by applicants and approved by OPZ. It is possible that mitigation options could have a minor corresponding operating budget cost.

This bill is not anticipated to affect highway projects in the County's current Capital Budget and Program.

Operating Budget: The bill's effect on operating expenses will be minor or negligible, and dependent on mitigation options.

Department of Public Works (DPW) and OPZ staff anticipate administering the program with existing resources.

By providing more specific guidance to applicants, the bill may reduce the workload of OPZ and DPW due to less back-and-forth reviews and revisions.

  
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